

Amendments to the claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims, of record in the present application.

1. (Currently Amended) A safety restraint device comprising:
a base rod having attachment devices for temporarily affixing said base rod to a frame member;
one or more releasable mounting devices for receiving and attaching at least one of a variety of accessories to said base rod; and
[optionally,] at least one accessory for attachment to said releasable mounting device.
2. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 1 wherein said accessory is one or more removable, interchangeable devices which can be added or removed from the releasable mounting device.
3. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 1 wherein said accessory comprises a winch assembly having a winch; a static line operatively connected to the winch; and a mounting attachment for attaching said winch accessory to said releasable mounting device.
4. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 3 wherein said winch comprises a locking mechanism so that the static line can be drawn tight using said winch, and maintained in a tightened condition.
5. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 4 wherein said locking mechanism is a ratchet assembly.
6. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 2 wherein said accessory comprises 2 or 3 winch assemblies.

7. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 1 comprising two releasable mounting devices for receiving and attaching at least one of a variety of accessories to said base rod.

8. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 1 wherein said accessory is a winch assembly, a ladder, a light, a sign, a radio, a handrail, a platform, or a suspended platform.

9. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 1 wherein said accessory is attached to said releasable mounting device using a lock pin.

10. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 1 wherein said attachment devices are two C-shaped or V-shaped attachment brackets.

11. (Original) A safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 10 additionally comprising a threaded locking rod operatively connected to at least one of said attachment brackets, and a crank connected to one end of said locking rod, so that turning of the crank results in relative movement of said attachment brackets.

12. (Original) An accessory for use with a safety restraint device as claimed in Claim 1 comprising a winch assembly, a ladder, a light, a sign, a radio, a handrail, a platform, or a suspended platform.

13. (Original) An accessory as claimed in Claim 12 comprising a winch assembly having a winch, a static line operatively connected to said winch, and having a mounting attachment for attaching said accessory to said safety restraint device.

14. (Original) A process for establishing a static line for a safety restraint system in a framing situation comprising:

separately attaching a first base rod and a second base rod to two vertical frame members; mounting a static line containing accessory to said releasable mounting device on said

first base rod;

extending a static line from said static line containing accessory and connecting it to said second base rod, so as to establish a static line between said base rods.

15. (Currently Amended) A process as claimed in Claim 14 wherein said base rods are attached to said vertical frame members ~~while said vertical frame members~~ before installation of said vertical frame members into a vertical position.

16. Cancelled